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PART IV.

Official Papers.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

CIRCULAR No. 108 Ex.—17-20.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Revenue and Agricultural Department, (Museums and Exhibitions),—under date Simla, the 2nd October 1884.

READ—

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 105, dated 31st July 1884.

Despatch to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 10, dated 30th August 1884.

Circular No. 102 Ex.—17-10, dated 5th September 1884, to Local Governments and Administrations.

Despatch to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 13, dated 23rd September 1884.

Circular No. 106 Ex.—17-9, dated 29th September 1884, to Local Governments and Administrations.

Letter to the Government of Bengal, No. 1080 Ex.—17 E-1, dated the 29th September 1884.

RESOLUTION.

The Government of India has accepted, through Her Majesty's Secretary of State, the invitation of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to take part in an Exhibition, to be held in London under a Royal Commission in 1886, the purpose of which, in the words of His Royal Highness, is to demonstrate on the fullest scale to the inhabitants of the British Islands the unbounded industrial resources at their command within the limits of Her Majesty's Colonial and Indian dominion.

2. The co-operation of Local Governments and Administrations in this project has already been invited, and the Government is now desirous that the general public throughout India should be made acquainted with the opportunity which will be afforded of displaying in a complete and comprehensive manner the produce, arts, and manufactures of the Empire.

3. The Exhibition will be opened at South Kensington early in May 1886, and all Indian exhibits should arrive in England before the 1st of January in that year.

4. The terms on which space can be granted, and the extent to which it will be available, cannot be made known until the receipt of further instructions from the Royal Commissioners. But it is desirable that provisional applications for space should be sent in by intending exhibitors at as early a date as possible to such address as may be determined by the local authorities. Preference will, therefore, be given to applications received before the 1st of March 1885 on the understanding that the area applied for will not necessarily be attained in full, and that the application may be subsequently withdrawn if the charge for space is not accepted.

5. All communications to the Government of India connected with the Exhibition should be addressed to the Officer in charge, Exhibition Branch, Revenue and Agriculture Office.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Local Governments and Administrations noted on the margin, with a request that it may be published in local Gazette and communicated to newspapers, Vernacular and English, for general information, and with an intimation of the address to which applications for space should be submitted.

Madras.	Central Provinces.
Bombay.	British Burma.
Bengal.	Coorg.
North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	Assam.
Punjab.	Secretary for Berar to the Resident, Hyderabad.

Ordered also, that this Resolution be published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India*.

[True Extract.]
E. C. BUCK,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Abstract of Season or Intermediate Reports for the Week ending 14*th February* 1885.

Bangalore District.—Standing crops generally reported to be withering for want of water, for which reason also the sowing of sugar-cane and Vaisakha paddy is hindered. Threshing of ragi, Kartika paddy and horse-gram in progress. Prospects of season fair generally, but dependent for the future on timely rain-fall. Public health good. Drinking water for people procurable, but distress among cattle owing to tanks drying up. Green pasturage very scarce. Cattle being fed for the most part on straw. Prices: second sort rice 9½ seers, per rupee, ragi 22½ seers, and horse-gram 20½ seers per rupee.

Kolar District.—Crops withering in many places. Most of the tanks empty. Scarcity of drinking water felt in some villages of the Srinivaspur Range and in the Taluks of Goribidnur and Chikballapur. Sugar-cane planting in progress. Public health generally good except that a few cases of small-pox occurred in Chintamani. Prospects of season not fair as prices of food grains are rising. Prices: rice 9 to 12 seers and ragi 22 to 32 seers per rupee.

Tumkur District.—The javari and Bengal-gram crops in the Tumkur, Maddagiri, Hiriyur and in parts of the Chitaldroog Taluk are not in good condition. In the Chellakere Taluk the crops sown both in tank beds and on dry lands are fading. Paddy, baragu, navane and javari were sown in certain Taluks. Horse-gram, navane, ballar, tuvar, oil-seeds, &c., were reaped. Prospects of season indifferent and not encouraging. Public health good. Cattle suffer from murrain in parts. Want of water and pasturage felt in certain parts. Pasturage failing in the jungles of certain Taluks. Leaves are being used as fodder in parts of the Hangal Range. Prices: second sort rice 9½ to 12 seers, ragi 22 to 32 seers and horse-gram 15½ to 22 seers per rupee.

Mysore District.—Standing crops in good condition. Vaisakha paddy was sown in the Nagamangala Taluk. Ragi, sáme, oil-seeds and paddy were harvested in parts of the Mandya Taluk. Ballar and oil-seed crops in parts of the Heggaddevankote Taluk have been attacked by insects. Prospects of season indifferent. Scarcity of drinking water in several parts. Public health generally good. Mouth and foot disease among cattle in the Nagamangala Taluk. Pasturage getting scanty. Prices: rice, second sort, 11 seers, ragi 21 seers and horse-gram 20 seers per rupee.

Shimoga District.—Standing crops in moderately good condition in the Davangere Taluk. Wheat, Bengal-gram, avare, togari, horse-gram, jola, ragi and sáme were harvested in the Maidan Taluks of Davangere and Honnali. Sugar-cane is being milled in Sagar and Nagar. Kar-paddy is being sown in Sagar. Prospects of season fair. Public health not very good. A few cases of sporadic cholera occur occasionally in the Taluks of Shimoga and Channagiri. Murrain prevalent to a slight extent. Prices: rice 13 to 16 seers, ragi 20 to 40 seers and jola 24 to 30 seers per rupee.

Kadur District.—Standing crops in good condition. Vaisakha paddy was sown. Paddy, togari, Bengal-gram, wheat, coriander, oil-seeds, kurasani, horse-gram and avare were harvested. Sugar-cane was cut. Prospects of season and public health good. Cattle healthy. Water-supply and pasturage good. Prices: rice 12 to 20 seers and ragi 18 to 32 seers per rupee.

By Order,
C. RAGHAVACHARLU,
Offg. Under-Secretary.